## Ross Township marks Canada 125

Canadians need to give more and ask for less.

Those were the words of MP Len Hopkins as he addressed Ross Township residents celebrating Canada's 125th birthday.

Celebrations were held at Yonder Hill Park. There was a variety of children's activities as well as slow-pitch ball and a horseshoe tournament.

There was a heritage display. The Ross Township Firefighters' Association presented a fireworks display at dusk.

Mr. Hopkins and Reeve Alvin Stone cut a Canada 125 cake.

The MP commended the owners of Yonder Hill Park, Robert and Karen Wood, for donating the facilities for the township's use.

"It's this kind of Canadian spirit we need," he said. "God has given us this gift -- Canada. It's up to us to see it through."

He said that greed has no place in the Canadian family.

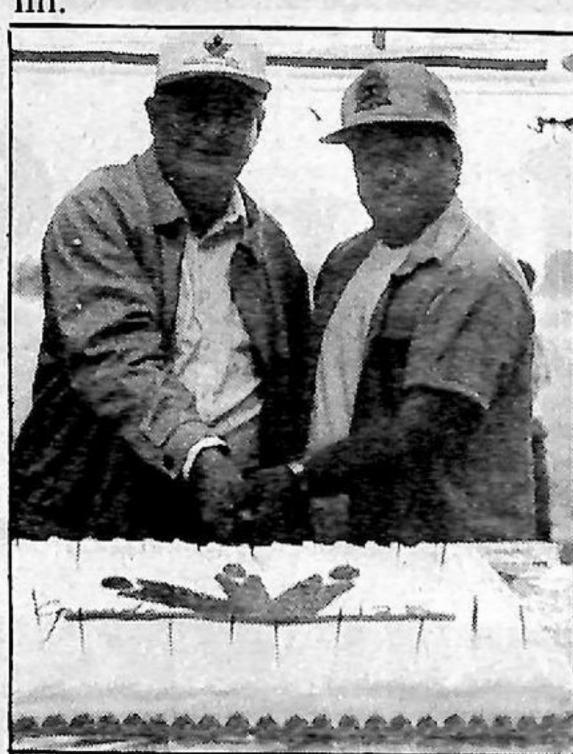
"We can't build a country, province, or family on greed," he said. "I wish everybody from the senior levels of government down would take the average community view that they want this country to stay together and get along with their neighbour."

"That's a message we should all tuck in the backs of our minds," said Reeve Alvin Stone.

The Canada 125 cake was donated by Deputy-Reeve Jack Ferguson and Counc. Don Rathwell, Reeve Stone provided food for visiting dignitaries and St. John Ambulance attendance for the potluck picnic.



Prizes for children's games were donated by Counc. Vic McLaugh-lin.



MP Len Hopkins and Reeve Alvin Stone cut the Canada 125 cake.



These are members of Ross Township's Canada 125 committee. From left, Counc. Don Rathwell, Counc. Vic McLaughlin, Donna Campbell, Deputy-Reeve Jack Ferguson, Reeve Alvin Stone, Arlene McLaughlin, Eric Dagg, and Roy Church. Absent were Bob Waite and Bob Painchaud.